

## **REMARKS**

The Office Action dated June 23, 2005, has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments and following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action.

Claims 24, 31 and 34-35 are amended as required in the Office Action to overcome the objections to these claims. Claim 20 is amended to correct an informality. A replacement Abstract is attached. No new matter is added.

Claims 20-38 are pending in the present application, and are respectfully submitted for consideration.

The Office Action objected to the Abstract. Applicant submits a fully compliant replacement Abstract. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract is respectfully requested.


The Office Action objected to claims 24, 34-36 because of informalities. Applicant respectfully submits that the above amendments to these claims obviate the objections. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

As claims 20-23, 32, 33, 37 and 38 have been indicated as being allowed, and all outstanding issues have been addressed, Applicant respectfully requests that claims 24-32 and 34-36 also be allowed and that the instant application be allowed to proceed to issue.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicant's undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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